

TOWN OF WALLACE
Continued meeting
November 23, 2020
6:00 p.m.

The Town Council of the Town of Wallace continued its monthly meeting on Monday, November 23, 2020 at 6 pm in the Council Chambers.

The following Governing Body members were present:

Mayor Charles C. Farrior, Jr.

Council Member/ Mayor Pro-Tem Wannetta Carlton

Council Member Frank Brinkley

Council Member Jeffrey Carter

Council Member Francisco Rivas-Diaz

Council Member Jason Wells

The following Governing Body members were absent:

NONE

Also present were:

Larry Bergman, Town Manager	Anna Heath, Town Attorney
Jackie Nicholson, Town Clerk	Twig Rollins, Code Compliance Specialist
David Bizzell, Parks & Recreation Director (via Zoom)	Brent Dean, Public Services Director (via Zoom)

Mayor Charley Farrior reconvened the meeting with a quorum of the governing body members present.

Wallace Parks & Recreation Youth Athletics Discussion

Parks & Recreation Director David Bizzell said he made contact with other Recreation Departments to find out what they are considering for basketball season. Some are cancelling it and others are have skills and drills once a week for the players, allowing one (1) spectator per participant, instead of games. NCDHHS (North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services) recommends only playing sports where participants can maintain social distancing and close contact is not frequent or prolonged, which basketball is not. Mr. Bizzell said the Recreation Commission was split on cancelling the season and the NCHS Athletic Association will be issuing guidelines on December 4th. The consensus of the Council is to wait until the December 10 meeting to make a decision.

Recommendation to Schedule a Public Hearing on the UDO (Unified Development Ordinance Updates at the January 14, 2021 meeting

Town Manager Larry Bergman recommended the Council schedule a public hearing at the January 14, 2021 meeting for the UDO (Unified Development Ordinance) updates. It has been recommended for approval by the Planning Board. Manager Bergman added that recent changes such as the Food Truck Ordinance and Special Events Ordinance would be incorporated into that document. The Council discussed reviewing the updated UDO at a second meeting on December 17.

Council Member Jason Wells made a motion to start the January 14, 2020 monthly meeting at 6:00 pm. The motion was seconded by Council Member Wannetta Carlton and approved unanimously.

Council Member Carlton made a motion to establish a public hearing for after 6:00 pm on Thursday, January 14, 2020 to receive comments on the updated UDO. The motion was seconded by Council Member Wells and approved by unanimous vote.

Resolution to Accept NCDEQ (North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality) Revolving Loan Funds for Wells and Authorize Manager to Execute Related Documents

Manager Bergman said this would allow Mr. Stroud to direct the contractor to begin work and authorize him to execute the documents.

Council Member Jeff Carter made a motion to adopt the proposed Resolution By The Governing Body Of The Town Of Wallace-New Wells 15 & 16 which was seconded by Council Member Frank Brinkley and approved of by unanimous vote.

Other Business

Mayor Farrior reported on a meeting with Valley Proteins executives Mike Smith, Vice President and Bob Vogler, Director of Environmental Affairs along with Emily Miller, Funding Specialist with McAdams & Associates, LLC. Ms. Miller is assisting with funding sources for this project. There was an issue with converting the effluent limits into pounds which seems to have been resolved so Valley Proteins is interested in getting this project moving forward.

Mr. Tommy Herring is meeting with property owners affected by the 830 project. He indicated that it would take approximately 30 days.

Mayor Farrior said that a 1.77-acre parcel is for sale (behind Dayspring on Hwy. 11) adjacent to the Boney Mill Pond and asked the Council if there was any interest in purchasing it. There was not.

Council Member Wells shared some feedback he received from downtown merchants regarding the recent filming that was done. Some said they were told one thing but that is not what happened, particularly in relation to on street parking.

Closed Session

Council Member Carlton made a motion to go into closed session to discuss a legal matter. The motion was seconded by Council Member Francisco Rivas-Diaz and unanimously approved.

The Council and Attorney discussed the letter received regarding the Herring property on Main St. and was advised to allow Mr. Herring the additional time requested through his attorney to gather more information.

Council Member Wells made a motion to end the closed session which was seconded by Council Member Rivas-Diaz and approved by unanimous vote.

There being no further business to discuss. Council Member Brinkley made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Council Member Wells and approved by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles C. Farrior, Jr., Mayor

Jacqueline Nicholson, MMC, NCCMC
Town Clerk